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TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION LOSSES IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the transmission losses of power in the NDMC area and the rest of Delhi;

(b) whether the transmission losses and theft in NDMC area are less because of low power rates; and

(c) if so, the reasons as to why the rates of power/electricity are not kept at par with that of NDMC in the rest of the Delhi city?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) : Transmission and Distribution (T&D) Losses for the year 2005-06 as approved by the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) in New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) area are 11.50%. Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses of respective Distribution Companies (DISCOMs), as admitted by DERC for the year 2005-06 are as under:-

Sl. No.	Name of Distribution Company	AT&C losses (%)
1	North Delhi Power Ltd	26.52
2	BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd.	35.53
3	BSES Yamuna Power Ltd.	43.89

(b) : Transmission losses are due to technical reasons depending upon the condition and robustness of the distribution system. The theft, in NDMC area is less, for which any particular reason i.e. low power rates could not be assigned and there could be other reasons like better consumer profile, efficient revenue collection etc., for less theft of power in NDMC area.

(c) : According to Electricity Act 2003, DERC is empowered to determine the tariff for distribution of electricity in Delhi, by various licensees, as per the provisions of the Act. The electricity tariff determination depends on the overall power purchase cost as well as the operational and financial performance of the DISCOMs ie. AT&C loss levels, operational expenses, capital investment for system upgradation/ augmentation etc. In view of these factors the tariff in NDMC area is different from the rest of Delhi.